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To: Microsoft ATR

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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Judge Kollar-Kotally,

I object to the so-called proposed final judgment in the Microsoft case. In all past findings, the Court has found Microsoft guilty of violating the Anti-Trust laws. Yet the PFJ or the proposed final judgment throws out all previous court findings that indicts Microsoft. In other words, the proposed final settlement allows Microsoft to continue on with its predatory practices, which in my opinion is a detriment to the technology industry. I am certain you will receive thousands appeals entailing various flaws apparent in the proposed final settlement. However, my main focus involves one glaring flaw in the proposed settlement: The PFJ does not effectively break up Microsoft, but in fact allows Microsoft to leverage its Monopoly to expand its business into several other technology sectors. In the past most monopolies, such as AT&T, are either broken up or carefully regulated. However in this case, Microsoft is given a pardon or a waiver to this general rule of thumb. In addition, a simple slap on the wrist by the Department of Justice will not suffice in drastically altering Microsoft?s existing operation methodologies. As history has shown, Microsoft will unfortunately abuse its monopoly position at the expense of others. Unless something extraordinary is done, Microsoft will continue to implement illegal business practices. Thus, I submit to the Court that the Proposed Final Judgment does not solve the problems involved in the Microsoft case.

All the Best,

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